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MAYOR BALLARD ANNOUNCES NEW DIRECTOR OF CITY'S OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY

INDIANAPOLIS – Mayor Greg Ballard today announced that John Hazlett will be the next director of the City's Office of Sustainability.

"John brings perspective from his time working with a national leader in sustainability – the city of Portland – and his work with the City of Indianapolis already has helped us achieve milestones toward our goal of becoming one of the most sustainable cities in the Midwest," said Mayor Ballard. "The City will benefit tremendously from John's experience and leadership."

Hazlett has been a project manager in the Office of Sustainability since its inception in October 2008. His leadership helped the City secure more than \$18 million in grant funds. Hazlett received a Mayor's Performance Award this year for his leadership of the Sustainable Facilities Initiative, a program that results in savings in energy efficiency and tax dollars. An Indianapolis native, Hazlett brings with him extensive experience from Portland, Ore., where he worked on storm water management, recycling and energy efficiency programs.

Hazlett becomes the second director of the Office of Sustainability. Kären Haley, who served in the position since the creation of the office, will become the executive director of the Indianapolis Cultural Trail, Inc.

"We were very fortunate to have Kären at the helm of the Office of Sustainability as we developed its mission and purpose," Mayor Ballard said. "We will miss her but wish her the best in her next endeavor."

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